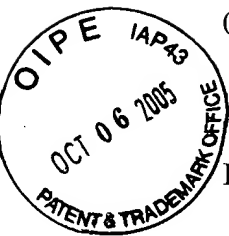


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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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: Group Art Unit: 2626
Application No.: 09/895,185)
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Filed: July 2, 2001)
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For: AN IMAGE PROCESSING)
METHOD AND IMAGE)
APPARATUS CAPABLE OF)
ROTATING AND REVERSING)
AN INPUT IMAGE)
(As amended April 19, 2005) : October 5, 2005

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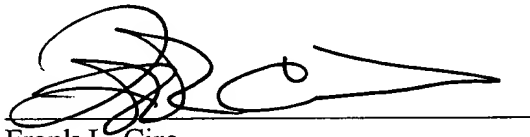
In response to the NOTICE TO FILE CORRECTED APPLICATION PAPERS (copy enclosed) mailed September 28, 2005, enclosed herewith is a copy of a RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION that was filed in the above-identified application on October 22, 2001. Included with the Response were a copy of the Notice, a Combined Declaration And Power Of Attorney, and an Abstract, copies of which are enclosed herewith. Also enclosed is a PTO-stamped postcard which

bears the October 22, 2001 receipt date (and which also reflects payment of the \$130.00 surcharge for the Declaration).

In consideration of the papers submitted herewith, and the Issue Fee having already been paid, Applicant respectfully submits that the above-identified application is ready to proceed to issuance.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, CA office at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

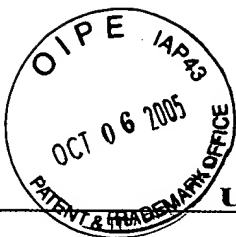
Respectfully submitted,

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Notice of Allowance Mailed

This application has been accorded an Allowance Date and is being prepared for issuance. The application, however, is incomplete for the reasons below.

Applicant is given 30 days from the mail date of this Notice within which to correct the informalities indicated below. A failure to reply will result in the application being ABANDONED. This period for reply is NOT extendable under 37 CFR 1.136 (a) or (b).

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☐ Specifications, claims and abstract _____ pages, with Transmittal Form

☐ Patent Application Bibliographic Data Sheet _____ sheets

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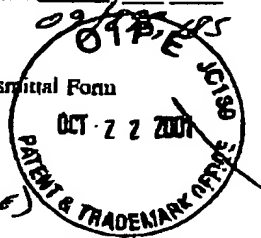
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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.
A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- An Abstract not to exceed 150 words in length, commencing on a separate sheet (37 CFR 1.72(b)).

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FOR PATENT APPLICATION

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My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name;

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled IMAGE PROCESSING METHOD, IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS, AND STORAGE MEDIUM the specification of which ☐ is attached hereto ; or ☒ was filed on July 2, 2001 as United States Application No. or PCT International Application No. 09/895,185 and was amended on _____ (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR §1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. §119(a)-(d) or §365(b), of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or §365(a) of any PCT international application which designates at least one country other than the United States, listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or PCT international application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

Country	Application No.	Filed (Day / Mo. / Yr.)	(Yes / No) Priority Claimed
Japan	203883/2000 (Pat.)	5/July/2000	Yes
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I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. §120 of any United States application(s), or §365(c) of any PCT international application designating the United States, listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States or PCT international application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application.

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I hereby appoint the practitioners associated with the firm and Customer Number provided below to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith, and direct that all correspondence be addressed to the address associated with that Customer Number:

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